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Patent 032326-139

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

In re Patent Application of

Marc Birkner et al.

Application No.: 09/831,745

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Examiner: Jung W. Kim

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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR CONTROLLING A PORTABLE OBJECT LIFE CYCLE, IN PARTICULAR,

A SMART CARD

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents. P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

End	losed is a reply for the above-identified patent application.							
X	A Petition for Extension of Time is also enclosed.							
	Terminal Disclaimer(s) and the \$\Bigsigmu\$							
X	Also enclosed is/are <u>Abstract of the Disclosure</u>							
	Small entity status is hereby claimed.							
	Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the \$395.00 (2801) \$790.00 (1801) fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e).							
	Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments <u>not</u> be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above.							
	Applicant(s) previously submitted							
	on, for which continued examination is requested.							
	Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.							
	A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.							

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	No	additional	claim	fee i	s re	quired.
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An additional claim fee is required, and is calculated as shown below.

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	No. of Claims	Highes of Cla Previo Paid	aims ously		Extra Claims		Ra	te	Additional Fee
Total Claims	34	MINUS	36	=	0	x	\$50.00	(1202) =	\$ 0.00
Independent Claims	6	MINUS	4	=	2	x	\$200.00	(1201) =	\$ 400.00
If Amendment adds n	nultiple depen	dent claim	s, add	\$	360.00 (1203)		-		\$ 0.00
Total Claim Amendment Fee						\$ 400.00			
Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$ 0.00				
TOTAL ADDITIONAL CLAIM FEE DUE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$ 400.00				

X	A check in the amount of	\$ 400.00	is enclosed for the fee due.
	Charge t	o Deposit Accou	unt No. 02-4800.
	Charge	to credit card. F	Form PTO-2038 is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17, 1.20(d) and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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